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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force on 9-1-1 Call Routing to Local Law Enforcement Agencies**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force on 9-1-1 Call Routing to Local Law
4 Enforcement Agencies; establishing the membership of the Task Force;
5 requiring that Task Force members be appointed by a certain date; requiring the
6 Governor to designate a chairman of the Task Force; requiring the Department
7 of Public Safety and Correctional Services to staff the Task Force; providing that
8 a Task Force member is entitled to reimbursement for certain expenses;
9 requiring the Task Force to study the issue of automatically routing calls
10 received over the 9-1-1 system directly to the local law enforcement agency that
11 is responsible for responding; requiring the Task Force to report to the Governor
12 and General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination
13 of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on 9-1-1 Call Routing to
14 Local Law Enforcement Agencies.

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That:

17 (a) There is a Task Force on 9-1-1 Call Routing to Local Law Enforcement
18 Agencies.

19 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

20 (1) a member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate;

21 (2) a member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the
22 House;

23 (3) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, or the
24 Secretary's designee;

25 (4) the Secretary of State Police, or the Secretary's designee;

26 (5) two representatives of county police departments, appointed by the
27 Governor;

1 (6) two representatives of municipal police departments, appointed by
2 the Governor;

3 (7) one representative of telecommunication companies, appointed by
4 the Governor;

5 (8) one representative of wireless telecommunication companies,
6 appointed by the Governor; and

7 (9) one representative of the general public, appointed by the Governor.

8 (c) The members of the Task Force shall be appointed on or before June 30,
9 2004.

10 (d) The Governor shall designate the chairman of the Task Force.

11 (e) The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall provide
12 staff for the Task Force.

13 (f) A member of the Task Force:

14 (1) may not receive compensation; but

15 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
16 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

17 (g) The Task Force shall study the issue of automatically routing calls received
18 over the 9-1-1 system directly to the local law enforcement agency that is responsible
19 for responding and shall study the infrastructure and cost requirements necessary to
20 implement such a routing system.

21 (h) The Task Force shall report its findings to the Governor and, in accordance
22 with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on or before
23 December 31, 2004.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 June 1, 2004. It shall remain effective for a period of 8 months and, at the end of
26 January 31, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
27 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.